GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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GRANTS TO SANSKRIT VIDYALAYAS OF BIHAR
ARUN KUMAR

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi has discontinued the grant being given to the Sanskrit Vidyalayas of Bihar during the last three years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any proposal to restart providing grants directly to these Vidyalayas by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) & (b) Under the Central Plan Scheme of Financial Assistance to Voluntary Sanskrit Organisations that is being implemented by the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, an autonomous organisationof the Ministry of Human Resource Development, selected organisations, the applications of which are recommended and forwarded by the concerned State/Union Territory Government, are sanctioned financial assistance for salaries to Sanskrit teachers, scholarships to students, library grants, construction of school buildings, etc. Grants were sanctioned to various institutions in Bihar on the recommendation of the Grants-in-Aid Committee in February, 1997 and February, 1998. However, the grants of 124 of these institutions of Bihar were discontinued from the year 1999-2000 onwards on the specific advice of the State Governmentof Bihar, which wrote to the Centre that those applications had not been forwarded by the State Government.

(c) & (d) In case, any fresh request from these institutions, duly recommended by the State Government of Bihar is received in the Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, it will be placed before the Grants-in-Aid Committee for its consideration.